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SCHOOL, CITY ELECTIONS

Women for School Board Lost Mayor Good Selection Perspective Progress

The election for two members of the Keytesville District School Board furnished the impetus of interest, the grip heretofore held on the school board threatened by the introduction of two women for members. Until just before noon the women, among the best possible to be considered for the positions, were leading both the other tickets when it was noised about that they could not serve if elected, the law barring them under the circumstances. The stalking horse candidates fared no better after the women were eliminated from consideration and the personnel of the board remains practically the same and the patrons of the school can be assured of the same constant interest, careful management and consequently successful and advancing reputation of the school which it has been their privilege to boast of for the past two years.

The candidates for the school board were:

Herbert Applegate	77
Geo. West (re-elected)	66
Jess Richardson	50
Mrs. C. C. Parks	32
Mrs. C. C. Carlstead	26
John Rogers	18
C. F. Lamkin	4
Arthur Friesz	4

The vote to increase levy was; for 96 against 9. Less than half the voters expressed themselves on this subject by their votes.

In the city election the vote was:

For Mayor North Ward	
F. W. Hill	41
Wallace Agee	12
B. F. Brewer	10

South Ward	
F. W. Hill	20
B. F. Brewer	29
Wallace Agee	19

For Alderman North Ward	
C. C. Carlstead	62
C. F. Lamkin	1

South Ward	
John Garnett	35
C. P. Thrash	29

Majorities & Pluralities	
F. W. Hill	22
C. C. Carlstead	61
John Garnett	6

There were a number of stray votes for each office and C. F. Lamkin was not a candidate for any office. The obstruction over which the supporters of the women for members of the school board could not pass was the law which provides that only such as have paid city and county taxes the preceding year, are residents for at least a year and over thirty years of age can be qualified to fill such positions. Had these conditions been met, the vote which went to the decoys would have been cast for the women and then some, and we would have been equipped for an experiment which we firmly believe would have been for the best interest of our school. It is surely the one and only place in public life where women can hold their own self respect, retain the confidence and support of their community and further benefit mankind by official attention to the education of the children, the principal part of which falls on them any way.

Lieut. Frank Hill will make a good mayor and will have the support of a progressive and fearless board of aldermen. Favoritism and lethargy will not characterize the new administration in any particular and that

New Council Meets

At a meeting of the city council Wednesday evening, Mayor elect Hill and Aldermen Carlstead and Garnett were duly sworn in.

Present—	
F. W. Hill, Mayor.	
C. C. Carlstead	Councilmen 1st ward.
W. W. White	
John Garnett	Councilmen 2nd ward.
Geo. West	

The board appointed Warren Elliott, Clerk and Steve Gordon Street Commissioner. Councilmen Carlstead and Garnett were appointed by the Mayor a committee to secure quarters for the board and an office for the mayor.

Councilmen Garnett and Carlstead were appointed by the Mayor the committee on streets and White and West on sidewalks.

Clean up days were set for April 29-30. Councilman West appointed committee on public lights.

Committee on lights directed to confer with colored citizens in the neighborhood of the colored school house on the subject of securing light for that neighborhood.

Councilman Carlstead was continued purchasing committee for the board.

Adjudged Mentally Unbalanced

Hugh S. Crawford of near Sumner was brot before the probate court Tuesday on complaint of the constable of Cunningham township and after examination of the man and hearing testimony of medical and other witnesses, Judge Montgomery found Crawford to be of unsound mind and appointed Cal Hopper of Sumner guardian.

Hugh Crawford has been a successful farmer and accumulated a fair competency for his family and just the cause for his becoming unbalanced has not been disclosed. It is a pitiable case but perhaps with correct treatment he can recover.

High School Notes

Examinations were in progress last week, as it was the end of fifth six weeks.

Louise Dotson and Almeria Miller both teachers visited high school recently, the former last Wednesday and the latter on Monday afternoon.

Quite a number of the students living in the country were unable to get to school Monday on account of the drifted snow.

The Seniors inspected a sample cap and gown Monday. The measurements of the students will be taken soon so that the caps and gowns may be ordered for commencement week.

Many of the students are preparing for the literary preliminaries, which will be held some time before April the twenty-third, to enable those who win to better prepare themselves against the county contestants.

Earl Williams, Jay Cuddy and Dred Finnell jr. went to St. Louis last Friday morning in the most disreputable looking conveyance in the state, a denuded road louse. However, what that bunch of boys can't get thru in, won't go anywhere with anybody. Best give the big end of the road when you see it coming. A fine trip, fine weather and splendid roads for a jaunt.

public necessities will crowd out antiquated means and men desultorily employed to the detriment of progress, we feel inclined to assure. Wait, but watch.

HEAVIEST SNOWFALL

Wheat Thot Greatly Benefited Here. Lowland Overflow Inevitable. 10 Above Zero.

Saturday the second snow of the spring month began to fall and all day Sunday the downfall continued until an estimated depth of 26 inches covered the ground for an average, scarcely any being left by the wind in spots and great drifts formed in other places. North and south roads were not badly covered but most east and west roads were blocked, some of them impassable yet. The storm began from the east but soon was from the northwest and Monday morning at sunup, the thermometers in several places in town registered ten and twelve above. Peach, pear, apple trees which budded early and small fruits were seriously damaged if not destroyed for this season and this is held to be true as far south as Arkansas.

It is believed that the wheat crop which looks well practically all over the county has been greatly benefited by the heavy snow which followed the all-day gale of a week before.

In all northwestern states, Kansas and Oklahoma, the storm was much worse than thru this section according to reports, deeper snow and severer weather. Fuel had run low in this section and many found themselves exceedingly short Monday with no prospects for replenishing bins and wood piles for several days.

Old inhabitants say that on Easter Sunday just 50 years ago the same sort of snow storm visited this section.

Ambrose Rucker came home from Washington City Saturday to recuperate. He has not been so well for some time and believes correctly that the fresh air and sunshine of the country, supplemented by jowl and greens and mild exercise in the garden will add to his avoirdupois.

Mrs. A. F. Arrington has treated herself to a splendid new car, an Essex, and Saturday afternoon was returning home in the car with her daughter, Miss Elizabeth at the wheel, J. W. Taylor the seller of the car directing her, Misses Dorothy Richardson and Virginia Riley company. When just beyond the Cottrell school house north of town and about a half mile from home, the car capered on the hill it was ascending. The road was wet and slick. Miss Elizabeth managed the slipping car as well perhaps as any one could have, but it was bound for the 8 foot ditch and over into it the whole push toppled, the car landing upside down. Miss Dorothy promptly catapulted thru the back curtain and pulled Mrs. Arrington and Miss Virginia out. Will Taylor was crumpled up under the steering wheel, the cushion and Miss Elizabeth and until the escape of the young lady and removal of the debris he could not get out. His neck was twisted a little and his nerves temporarily dislocated, otherwise alright. Miss Elizabeth suffered a bad cut at the shoe top from glass from the broken windshield, disgust and superabundance of retained comments on the occasion. The other occupants of the car escaped unhurt and the car suffered only a broken top and windshield. The big army truck piloted by Bill Knight went out and snaked the car out of the ditch and it was started and came to the Spot Cash Garage without assistance.

Farm Bureau Notes

Farmer's Mutual Crop Insurance Matter.

Word from the receiver of the company advises that nothing can now be done until it is known how the test suits filed will end. The matter as I understand is to rest until further notice.

The Meeting Saturday 2:00 p. m.

This meeting is to be held at the court house for final summing up of the membership campaign for the farm bureau.

Several parts of the county, Rothville, Sumner, Triplett, Aholt and Shannondale at this writing have not been visited. The dates have had to be cancelled at each place and put off a time or two on account of bad weather and high waters.

Most of the meetings held were fairly well attended notwithstanding bad roads and bad weather at most places.

If roads and weather permit some of these places can be made this week, but this Monday morning when this is written, does not look very promising.

We hope it will be better by Saturday and roads dry so folks can attend the meeting for it is desired to get the matter settled one way or the other at this meeting.

Every person interested should be present or at least send word where he stands if he is for the continuance of this work in the county. If weather and roads are good and you are not at the meeting or do not send us any word we can gauge the matter fairly well, for it will then be assumed that you are against it.

The New Tax On Land

This bill to tax land of over \$10,900 value 1 percent upon its actual value is before Congress. Valuations will be based on "offers" for the land or on your sale price. Are you for this tax? A vote of the membership is called for by the American Farm Bureau federation.

Congress has spent almost as much money in the last three years as was spent since our government was founded up to 1917 or in 128 years. Still they spend like drunken sailors. We pay tax on about everything but the air we breathe, and now a new tax, or one of a new brand is before Congress.

I cannot discuss this question here but will discuss it at the meeting Saturday.

It is not a political question, but an economic one that affects vitally every person in the U. S. and especially the farmer.

Your expression is wanted and your voice will be then heard in Congress. Stay away from the meeting or keep silent and let all other farmers do the same and there is not one particle of doubt about your having this tax to pay.

If you do not have the grit or gumption, or manhood, or self respect to protect yourself, who do you think is going to do it for you? Let us speak up like real men.

The meeting is Saturday of this week at the Court House at Keytesville.

Theo. Wood had the misfortune to lose by fire his Buick Six last Friday. He was coming to town and had to cross a ditch in which straw had been thrown to protect passing vehicles from mud. The exhaust set fire to the straw just about the time Theo. stuck in the ditch and nothing could be done more than escape from the car and watch it go up in smoke.

KEYTESVILLE HENS WON

Local Leads in Egg Production Greatest State Average Largest Profit.

Miss Kate Dewey of our city captured the state prize for the greatest number of eggs produced by her flock, mixed breeds and the largest per cent net profit on each hen. The contest was conducted by the agricultural extension service by each contestant between November 1918 and Novr, 1919, the sale of eggs and price obtained being part of report, verified. Miss Deweys total net income was \$114.37 making her net profit for the 12 months on each hen \$6.02. Miss Dewey had as high as 30 hens and as low as 9 the average being 19. Her total income from sale of chickens \$75.16 and total income from eggs \$66.77 and the total cost to her \$59.47 plus \$7.09 for interest and incidentals. The best farm flock averaging 407 hens made M. P. Hollar of Hardin, Mo. Rockingham breed of poultry, total net profits \$2421.83 or \$5.09 the hen. The state average net profit computed from statistics furnished the extension service was \$2.73 the hen. Swatting the rooster caused a loss at this time unascertained.

Marriage Licenses

Ray Pollard, Mendon
Edna Stam, Mendon.
E. A. Neidholt, Brunswick
Geo. Parks, Musselfork.
Raymond Dennis, Clifton Hill
Edna Johnson, Clifton Hill
Frank J. Rasen, Brunswick
Edith Blewert, Brunswick.
L. H. Elias, Triplett.
Vera Kiddle, Triplett.
Benedict Bixeman, Wien,
Mary T. Mitch, Wien.
Richard P. Monnig, Aholt
Sophie Fuemmeler, Aholt.
Fletcher H. Jones, Salisbury,
Dora Yarbough, Salisbury.
G. S. Walker, Brunswick
Sophia W. Sewers, Brunswick.
Henry Leitung, Forest Green,
Odell Bier, Forest Green.

The County Convention

The Democratic county convention met at the court house at 2 p. m. yesterday and there was a fair representation of delegates from the several townships in the county under road and weather conditions, some of the outlying townships having their full quota on hand. Women delegates were not all present but a majority of those elected were here. Spectators were not so numerous as in former years but the big court room was fairly well filled. The convention was called to order by Chairman Wade McAllister of the county committee.

The delegates to the state convention are—Fred Lamb, Olive Cunningham, Anna Belle Brummall, Mrs. L. E. Young, J. D. Taylor, Mrs. C. W. Stewart, W. D. Herring, Mrs. Dollie Smutz, Wade McAllister, T. E. Prather, Mrs. Cal Hopper, O. M. Bridger.

The proceedings of the convention we will have to give our readers next week.

James E. Dempsey of Triplett was on hand as a delegate but didn't look natural.

Mr. and Mrs. EdPrather braved the roads to be on hand at the convention as delegates.

Somehow the Brunswick delegation looked larger than that from Salisbury yesterday.

Drag the roads and drag out of candidates how they stand or set.

Salisbury

Sam Lee and wife of Holden were here Monday on a visit.

Work on the new church was suspended on account of the blizzard.

Chrane & Gehrig sold the Tannehill property to W. D. Cooper.

A. S. Johnson, traveling salesman from Chicago visited his uncle A. W. here this week.

W. R. Sweeney and wife spent the week end visiting their son Robert and family in Kansas City.

Mrs. Eva Dunn and daughter, Miss Anna Lee of Kansas City were here the first of the week on a visit.

C. F. Warson of Moberly came in Saturday to spend a few days with his daughter Mrs. Sam Freeman on a visit.

A. T. Haberly went to Moberly Monday to close up a real estate deal for Mrs. Georgia Haberly of Ft. Landerdale, Fla.

The Cherry Blossom Operetta at the City Hall Friday night was well attended and gave general satisfaction.

Miss Minnie Clarkson is still on the sick list but she is improving some and that is good news for us all.

The wedding of Miss Dora Yarbough to Fletcher Jones was a surprise to their friends, but all hasten to congratulate.

Geo. Hallson of Joe C. Hall of Fowler, Kansas and grandson of W. R. Slaughter left for his home the latter part of the week.

Two items caught on the fly was the marriage of Geo. Isert to Mrs. Ada Ohmes and that of Henry Pleyer jr. to Miss Maurine Dowell.

We regret to learn that our young friend John Gladbach is in poor health and finds it hard to recover from ailments received while over seas.

Forty years ago this week, we came to Salisbury and cast our lot in with the good people of old Chariton and we have been proud of it ever since.

Mrs. W. J. Atterberry fell a few days ago and badly sprained her ankle and has been using a cane since. The injury is healing but is far from well.

Marie Cravens, ten year old daughter of Geo. Cravens and wife west of town was taken to Woodland hospital Friday to undergo an operation for chronic appendicitis.

The Easter snow storm here was a record breaker, and the whole town put out of commission for the day. No attempt was made to move the snow until Monday and then it was a big job. Church services were called off and all remained indoors.

On account of ill health, our old friend, John Legendre was compelled to resign his place as manager of the Farmer's Elevator Co. at this place. No successor has yet been chosen, but so long as Richard Steging is in charge there is little need to hurry in this direction. We feel like saying, Well done good and faithful servant.

Stock Market.

K. City Wednesday

Top cattle \$14.00. Top hogs \$15.95 and top lambs \$20.50.

Miss Grace Closson was a guest of friends in Brunswick Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Minnie Dodge came down from K. City Wednesday to spend the summer months with her mother Mrs. Mollie Wilson.